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Remarks

By this Preliminary Amendment, applicants have amended the specification to recite the continuing data for the above-identified application and have inserted an Abstract of the Disclosure attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. Applicants maintain that the amendments to the specification raise no issue of new matter and respectfully request that this Preliminary Amendment be entered.

In addition, applicants have inserted into the subject application a new Sequence Listing, a computer readable form of which is enclosed herewith and a paper copy of which is attached as **Exhibit 1** to the Statement attached hereto as **Exhibit B** which certifies that the enclosed computer readable form of the Sequence Listing is identical in content to the attached paper copy of the Sequence Listing and contains no new matter.

Claims 1-30 are present in the subject application. By this Preliminary Amendment, applicants have canceled claims 3, 10-18, 20, and 28-30 without disclaimer or prejudice; have amended claims 1, 2, 4-7, 19-25 to pursue claims directed toward Phospholipase D3 (PLD3) only, as recited in claims 3 and 20; and have amended claims 8 and 26 to add the claim language *liver fibrosis, cardiac fibrosis*. Support for *liver fibrosis* is to be found *inter alia* on page 2, line 10; from page 2, line 30 to page 3, line 16; on page 9, line 16; and throughout Examples 1-5, i.e. from page 28, line 22 to page 40, line 15. Support for *cardiac fibrosis* is to be found *inter alia* on page 2, lines 1-15, especially lines 3 and 10; on page 9, line 17; and on page 14, line 11. Accordingly, upon entry of this Preliminary Amendment, claims 1, 2, 4-9, 19, and 21-27 will be pending.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned

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attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the number provided below.

No fee, other than the enclosed filing fee of \$300.00, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment. If any additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

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Abstract of the Disclosure

Please insert new page 47 attached as **Exhibit A** hereto which sets forth an Abstract of the Disclosure.

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Sequence Listing

Please insert the Sequence Listing, a computer readable form of which is enclosed herewith and a paper copy of which is attached as **Exhibit 1** to the Statement attached hereto as **Exhibit B**, into the subject application.